

TOWN OF TIVERTON ARTS COUNCIL

Minutes

Wednesday, November 25, 2015

Town Hall, Tiverton, RI

Present

Barbara Pelletier, P.R. & Fund Raising
Robert Busse, Outreach & Advancement
Deborah Gee, Chair & Secretary
Joanne Donnelly, Treasurer

Guest

Anthony DeSisto, Town Solicitor
Denise Saurette, Town Treasurer

Meeting called to order @ 10:10 A.M.

I. Meeting with Anthony DeSisto, Town Solicitor and Denise Saurette, Town Treasurer Regarding Questions Sent to Town Solicitor

- A. See attached letter to Town Solicitor
- B. Information obtained from A. DeSisto and D. Saurette
 - 1. TAC should not set up a 501(c)(3) but 2 TAC members could be on the board of a non-profit (ex: Friends of Tiverton Arts) to raise funds for programs & can request funds from the town (Line Item during Budget Hearings)
 - 2. We can have two different accounts within the Tiverton Town Treasury
 - a. Budget – Funds not used by end of Fiscal Year - Returns to the Town Treasury
 - b. Special Revenue Fund – Role-over into next Fiscal Year
 - 1. Grant Funds – Present to Town Administrator &/or Town Council to match funds
 - 2. Donations
 - c. Present budget \$150.00 – Submit Annual Report with Financial Report that includes Budget Request based on Arts Council Goals (Request to speak at Town Council meeting)
 - 3. Town Council Agenda (Through Town Administrator)
 - a. Arts Council Signs on Public Property (ex: Tiverton Town Hall Art Gallery, Open M-F, 8:30-4)
 - b. To approve forms
 - c. Fund Raising

II. Reviewed and Voted on Changing Ornament from Christmas Pop-Up Card to Christmas Box

- A. D. Gee taught process to council members
- B. D. Gee will purchase Origami paper and 12 boxes of markers, J. Donnelly and B. Pelletier will supply ribbon and glue sticks (Other materials and equipment will come from members)

III. Other

- A. J. Donnelly researched Audubon Society coming to our October 2016 art show reception titled “ Birds of Prey” with raptors. Cost is \$130 (Council discussed the event for young adults as a Halloween event that would include library books and stories) This will be one of our 2016 Goals we will need funded
- B. Discussion of “WHERE IN TIVERTON ARE YOU???” #2
 - 1. R. Busse requested information on program so he could do a Press Release
 - 2. B. Pelletier said she would write Press Release and send it to R. Busse for Facebook (Website is not ready for posting)

3. D. Gee requested financial information on program for Annual Report
4. J. Donnelly as for clarification of donations and expenditures
5. J. Donnelly spoke to Mika Seeger about creating a sculpture for “WHERE IN TIVERTON ARE YOU???” Scavenger Hunt (More discussion & information needed)

IV. Date of Next Meeting: Monday, December 7, 2015 @ 2:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned @ 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Ann Gee